

# Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor  
Alex. H. Washburn

Federal Octopus Is  
Reaching for Every

Last One of Us

I offer you this evening three apparently unconnected developments which when put together in the same newspaper column immediately assume the shape and pattern of a federal monster freshly crawled out of Joe Stalin's vodka cellar.

This octopus would feed on every last man of us. He is after the small-town press of America. He hungers for all the independent electric plants — and their consumers. And he would destroy the small and middle-size trading towns . . . their merchants and their shoppers.

What I write about is a combination of federal law and federal court decisions, not complicated at all, but understood easily enough in three separate cases.

You might think it fantastic that a dictatorship could come about through "legal" laws and "legal" court decisions. Dictatorship, you say, means revolution, force, violence. The trouble with you is, you've been going to too many movies. Adolph Hitler became chancellor of the Republic of Germany in an absolutely free election; and he converted the republic into a dictatorship by the "legal" process of having the reichstag or congress delegate its authority to the executive department, and then persuading the courts to uphold one law after another concentrating economic power in the national capital.

We've had a running threat of the same sort of thing in the United States ever since F. D. Roosevelt swapped off private debts for a public debt — but now the monster has gotten fully organized and is reaching for us.

My first citation is a federal law and a United States Supreme Court decision against newspapers. The government brought an action against the Lorain (Ohio) Journal in a quarrel between the paper and a radio station in a neighboring town. The supreme court said the Sherman anti-trust law applied to newspaper advertising, and for the first time in American history the court held that a newspaper couldn't be the judge of what advertising it would or would not accept.

Now it has been the historic policy of U. S. newspapers to reject retail advertising copy from neighboring big cities on the grounds that it would damage the newspaper's home town as a trading center. But I am informed that the Department of Justice aims to use the Lorain (Ohio) decision to tear up this ancient tradition of the small-city press.

If you think I am seeing legalistic ghosts I can silence you with three hard facts: The newspapers of Omaha, Oklahoma City, and Dallas, have just begun accepting — for the first time in their history — outside advertising in competition with their home stores.

Cities their size can stand it. Smaller ones perhaps can not. And I am reminded that when Adolf Hitler moved against the private merchandising system of the Republic of Germany he struck at the big cities and the big stores first.

My second citation is a published statement of the federal electric power authorities on their policy toward local municipal light plants. I had always thought prior to this that the only thing municipal plants had to fear was the privately-owned utilities. But I have in front of me the signed statement of Douglas G. Wright, administrator of the federal Southwestern Power Administration, Tulsa, Okla., as published in the December issue of Southwest Electrical Industry magazine. He says:

"SPA (has) an obligation to examine resale rate structures of its customers, since consumers in most cases are retail customers not dealing with SPA. SPA fulfills this obligation in the case of municipalities through an agreement with the municipality as to what the retail rates shall be. This agreement is made at the time the contract for service to the municipality is executed."

Substitute the word "order" for "agreement" and you get the true sense of the above paragraph. Hope, for instance, could not touch government-generated electricity at neighboring Narrows dam without giving this federal bureaucrat veto power over our light rates, now fixed by the Hope city council.

Consumers served by the private companies have their rates fixed by the state government at Little Rock — this bureaucrat would pick off as many home institutions as he could and take them clear to Washington.

I ask you if this isn't a sinister development? The taxpayers' money is spent on supposedly worth-while public works, but somewhere along the line the bureaucrats get the law twisted around so that the public's own investment becomes a bait to lure every last local enterprise into the Washington lion's den.

My third and final citation has

# Hope Star

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HOPE, ARKANSAS, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1952

Member: The Associated Press & Audit Bureau of Circulations  
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WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas — Cloudy, cold, with  
occasional rain today. In west, some  
show in northwest. Most  
mostly cloudy and cold Tuesday.

Temperature  
High 40°, Low 37°  
Rainfall .16

PRICE 5¢ C. C.

## Eight Die in Camden Wreck; State Toll 23

By The Associated Press  
One of Arkansas' worst traffic accidents in history has taken the lives of eight persons. The mishap pushed the week's violent death toll to 23.

The tragic accident in which three white teenagers and five Negroes died occurred near Camden early Sunday.

Arkansas State Police said the mishap occurred when the car in which the Negroes were riding attempted to pass another auto and met the teenagers' vehicle in a head-on collision.

The victims were Tulip Rose Jones, 17, of Camden; Shirley Johnson, 18, of Cullendale, Ark.; Bernard Lucas, 19, of Banks, Ark.; Carroll Warren, Negro, of McNeil, Ark.; Sam Slaughter, 34, Negro, of Ogemaw, Ark., and Dennis Mac Dunbar, 22, Negro, Ada Mae Haynie, 28, Negro, all of Camden.

Wayne Neal, 23, of Camden, occupant of the teenager's car was injured. He is hospitalized at Camden.

An 83-year-old El Dorado Ark. man, Isom P. Freeman, died in a Morriston, Ark., hospital Sunday from injuries suffered in a Saturday traffic mishap. He, his wife and four other persons were en route to Ft. Smith when the car left the highway and overturned.

Two persons died in separate fires Sunday. A 2-year-old girl, Joan Reeves, perished in a fire at the family home near Batesville. A 20-year-old Negro, Mrs. Ruby Mac Avery, died in a blaze that destroyed three houses at Sheridan.

## Stretching Rules Laid to Treasury Dept.

Washington, Feb. 25 (AP) — Sen. Ferguson (R-Mich) today accused the Treasury Department of "Stretching its rules" to let a former internal revenue commissioner represent tax-troubled clients.

A Treasury official called the contention "somewhat far-fetched."

Ferguson said in an interview with the Treasury "had no business whatsoever" authorizing Joseph D. Nunan, former chief of the Internal Revenue Bureau, to represent clients in tax difficulties with the government.

"I think the department was stretching its own rules when it did that and I am thinking about introducing legislation which would prevent it in the future," Ferguson said.

Treasury officials said yesterday they would welcome a move by Congress to clamp rigid restrictions on former government officials seeking to represent clients before government agencies.

In fact, a spokesman said, the Treasury urged a sweeping bar against the practice in 1936, but Congress did nothing about it.

As a result, the Treasury said in a statement, it worked up its own restrictions which "go far beyond the prohibitions imposed by Congress."

The Treasury said the only law on the subject, basically unchanged since 1873, bars a former employee for two years after leaving service from prosecuting any claim against the United States that was pending while he was with the government.

The Treasury says its own rules bar "forever" — not for just two years — any former employee from acting as attorney or agent in any matter they learned about while holding a government job.

It does, however, permit them to handle cases about which they gained no knowledge while holding government jobs. This is the type of permission granted 631 former employees, now the subject of controversy.

The issue was brought up again last week when Sen. Williams (R-Del) outlined to the Senate the cases of four taxpayers for whom he said Nunan got permission to serve as counsel. Williams said the

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to do with some law-making efforts by business men themselves. Although the great body of American business men, their employees, their price and trading structures, are under constant attack by ambitious politicians, some trading lines are so foolish as to go lobbying before state and federal governments for the enactment of so-called "fair trade" laws — which are really private price-fixing schemes.

This came from Dr. J. M. Robinson, president of the association, who yesterday called the governor "our Little David" in praising McMath's support of the Negroes.

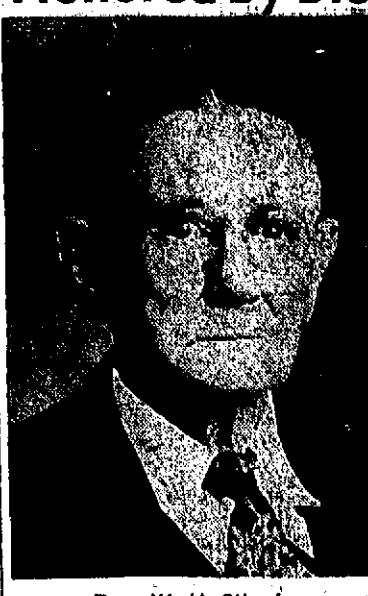
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## Rev. W. H. Stingley, Baptist Minister 50 Years, to Be Honored by Blevins Church



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## French Lose Key Point in Indochina

Saigon, Indochina Feb. 25 (AP) — The French last night announced their first major retreat in North Indochina in 15 months — abandonment of the key highway center of HOA Binh and withdrawal of 20,000 soldiers into a much-shortened perimeter around Hanoi.

The French had said, after capturing HOA Binh in mid-November, they would never let Ho Chi-minh's Communists withdraw from the highway and get it back.

Forty miles southwest of Hanoi, it was a key point on the Vietminh's north-south supply route.

But French commander Gen. Raoul Salan told reporters last the battle-devastated town was no longer of strategic importance — partly because the Communists had bypassed it on the west with roads over which Red China is pouring in increasing amounts of war supplies.

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Though he hinted this might come within three or four months, observers felt the French and Vietnamese troops now would be on the defensive in the north for some time.

## Mardi Gras Likely to See Cold Weather

New Orleans, Feb. 25 (UP) — The weatherman came up with some bad news for carnival visitors today. He said Mardi Gras costumes will probably have to run to a red flannel motif.

Mardi Gras, Shrove Tuesday, is tomorrow, climaxing a mad week of carnival gaiety, glittering parades and lavish balls. Tonight the Krewe of Proteus parades by torchlight and holds court at Municipal Auditorium. Tomorrow Zulu, Rex and Comus bring carnival week to a close.

Today will be topcoat and raincoat weather for the thousands of Mardi Gras visitors jamming the city's hotels and rooming houses, the weatherman said. The forecast for today is for cloudy, with showers and turning colder. However, the weatherman said the rain will probably end before tomorrow but temperatures tomorrow are expected to be under 50 degrees.

Weather Bureau officials said the chilly winds will be pushed in by a cold front coming into Louisiana this morning from the northwest. It will probably hit New Orleans tonight.

After that, the Weather Bureau said, it will be "pretty cold" for two or three days.

## Negro Group Calls McMath 'Little David'

Little Rock, Feb. 25 (AP) — Members of the Arkansas Negro Democratic Association have been asked to stand firmly behind Gov. McMath.

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It should be obvious to all business men by this time that he who invited the "protection" of a special law is in the same category as one of Joe Stalin's small neighbors who was "protected" a few years back but whose name isn't in the atlas any more.

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## Bulletins

The U. S. Court of Appeals in New York has confirmed the death penalty for Atomic spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

The U. S. Government has banned imports of Canadian livestock and meat because of an outbreak of foot and mouth disease.

The Rev. A. R. Reddin will preach sermons at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Dinner will be served on the church grounds at noon. All members or former congregants served by the Rev. Stingley, his friends and associates are invited.

During the past 50 years Mr. Stingley has held 35 pastorates — mostly in rural part-time churches. Under his guidance he has had 500 conversions, performed 450 baptisms, 382 marriages, 365 funerals and delivered approximately 7,500 messages.

For the past eight years he has been the local missionary of the Howard County Missionary Baptist Association. During this time he has led in establishing new churches and revived many which had become inactive.

As well as religion Mr. Stingley has been active in civic affairs. He has been a Mason and a member of the Oddfellows Lodge for 45 years, serving in various stations and offices.

By The Associated Press

## Nine Cities in Arkansas Have Snowfall Today

By The Associated Press

At least nine cities in Arkansas reported snow Monday as the entire state girded itself for a cold front moving south from the Dakotas.

The U. S. Weather Bureau at Little Rock reported it was snowing at Fayetteville, Paragould, Eureka Shores, Mountain View, Black Rock, Calico Rock, Gilbert, Marshall and Cotter. The Weather Bureau said, however, the snow was melting as it fell.

Fayetteville and Gilbert recorded low temperatures of 32 degrees Monday morning. Other towns included Morriston, 35, Walnut Ridge 35, Flippin 34, and Batesville 36.

Rain at Ft. Smith is expected to turn into snow Monday night.

The general forecast for the state was for cloudy and colder with occasional rain, some snow in northwest and extreme north portion Tuesday.

The high in Arkansas Sunday was 8 at Arkadelphia.

By HAL BOYLE

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## Senators Hope Probe Will Save Money

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Senator Hunt (D-Wyo), acting chairman of a Senate defense watchdog subcommittee, told a reporter he expects to reopen public hearings later this week, probably Friday.

Hunt ordered Downey Rice, committee counsel, and other investigators to dig through five different Pentagon reports, understood to be highly critical of expenditures on once-secret projects in North Africa and Greenland.

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The staff officers made no progress toward agreeing on the number of ports of entry to be checked on each side.

There was no mention in the prisoner exchange negotiations of the bloody riot at the U. S. prison camp on Koja Island a week ago.

Committee staff officers denied as "groundless and a fabrication" U. N. charges Sunday that the Reds have impressed war prisoners into the Red armies and that the committee may be holding U. N. prisoners on the Chinese mainland.

## SOCIETY

WEDNESDAY DINNER'S AT 6:30 P. M.

children of Hope, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Button and family of Arkansas, and Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bumpers of Washington.

Mrs. Anna Judson is leaving today for a two weeks visit with relatives in Emerson and Magnolia.

Miss Florrie Stevens of Magnolia was the Sunday afternoon guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Boswell.

Mrs. James Embree of Little Rock is spending a few days with her mother Mrs. Pearl Watson.

Mrs. Arlest Brown and Mrs. B. G. Southward spent Sunday in Mena with Mr. and Mrs. Newt Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas Copeland and son, Tommy of Philadelphia were the week end guests of Mr. Copeland's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Copeland.

Wayne Boyett of Little Rock spent the week end with his brother Jamie Boyett and Mrs. Boyett of Washington.

## Hospital Notes

Julia Chester  
Admitted: Alice O'Rourke, Hope, E. R. Munney, Hope, Mrs. Truman Smith, Hope.

Discharged: F. B. Miller, Hope, Mrs. E. S. Burke, Hope, John C. Morton, Hope, Mrs. Finley Ward, Hope, Mrs. Phinis Herring, Hope, Tom F. Payne, Hope, Mrs. Bruce Roehl, Hope, Mrs. Tom Gathright, Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Conley, Hope announced the arrival of a daughter, Barbara Lou, Feb. 23, 1942.

Branch  
Admitted: Mr. Trexen Nichols, Texarkana.

Discharged: Mrs. W. D. Flowers, Hope, Tommy Hollis, Patmida, Mr. Raymond Robins, Hope, Eddie Logan, Carl Brown, Blevins, Mrs. Maxine Johnson, Hope.

Wednesday, February 27

The Columbus Home Demonstration Club is sponsoring a work day in the St. Mark Cemetery, Wednesday, Feb. 27. Everyone interested is asked to bring tools for the work. Lunch will be served in the Columbus School lunch room.

## Coming and Going

Miss John Anderson of Little Rock is in town for the week end of her sister, Mrs. J. L. Jett.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Button of Little Rock Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bumpers and children, and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Button and

## 'Stretching'

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government has collected "not one dime" in taxes or penalties in any of these cases.

Ferguson said he had been told by Treasury officials the department's rule is that such permission may not be granted to any former employee who had any knowledge of the case in question while he worked for the revenue bureau, part of the Treasury.

"I think it should be taken for granted that a former revenue commissioner had at least indirect if not direct knowledge of every single tax case which was pending before the bureau when he was in charge," Ferguson declared.

Tax Fudgers  
Look Out for  
Neighbor

Washington, Feb. 25 (AP)—If you're fudging on your income tax return this year, better watch out for nosy neighbors.

The business of tailing to the government on income tax evaders—for a fee—is booming as never before.

The Internal Revenue Bureau reported today it paid out half a million dollars last year to informers who tipped the government to tax violations by business associates or neighbors.

As a result of the tips, revenue agents picked up \$9,627,840 more in taxes for the fiscal year which ended June 30.

All signs indicate this will be an even bigger year for informers. Citizens pouring in tips on recurring revenue scandals are likely to uncover even more tax evasion.

In the past three years, payments to informers have averaged \$10 million dollars a year, a tremendous increase over former years.

For 13 years ending in 1948, payments averaged only \$71,921 a year. And the \$9,627,840 collected last year because of informers' tips compares with an average of only two million during that 13-year period.

A revenue official said the chief motivators for informers are envy of a former boss, to cash in on informers' fees, and just plain patriotism.

The amount paid in fees can vary a lot. Some would-be informers have shot in the dark and turned in the names of known gamblers and bootleggers without any evidence. They didn't get a fee even if agents later uncovered a tax violation.

On the other hand, fees up to \$10,000 have been paid for detailed and specific information leading to collection of up to two million dollars in taxes in a single case.

The smallest reward is likely to be at least \$25.

In one case in Alabama, an informer gave details on the location of an illicit still. He seemed unusually anxious to catch the operator.

Asked why, he replied "That's my still—the crooked so and so stole it from me, and I want him caught."

In many cases, a study of revenue files showed, the tax evaders' own boasting of his accomplishment leads to his downfall.

And then there's one case where an informer got a sizeable fee but made the mistake of failing to report it on his own income tax return next year. He paid back most of the fee in penalties and interest.

Whereabouts of  
Malik Is Mystery

Paris Feb. 25 (AP)—The Soviet embassy said today Russia's delegate Jacob Malik is still in Russia. He and his wife and son were listed as passengers on the Cunard liner Queen Mary, which docked in New York yesterday, but the Maliks weren't aboard.

Malik reportedly went to Moscow after the U. S. General Assembly ended its recent meeting here. His embassy would give no explanation of how the names might have gotten on the Queen Mary's passenger list.

The Maliks were shown on a list of persons with reservations who did not embark.

No. 1 Pike, Hempstead, Nevada.  
No. 2 Miller, LaFayette.  
No. 3 Boone, Marion, Baxton, Newton, Socorro.  
No. 4 Pope, Conway, Perry.  
No. 5 Garland, Saline, Hot Springs, Clark (3).  
No. 6 Union.  
No. 7 Stone, Van Buren, Cleburne, Faulkner.  
No. 8 Pulaski (3).  
No. 9 Grant, Dallas, Cleveland, Cattoun, Bradley.  
No. 10 Fulton, Randolph, Sharp, Lawrence.  
No. 11 Hard, Independence, Jack-

son.  
No. 12 White, Woodruff, Lonoke, Prairie (2).  
No. 13 Jefferson, Lincoln (2).  
No. 14 Drew, Dasha.  
No. 15 Ashley, Chicot.  
No. 16 Clay, Greene.  
No. 17 Craighead, Mississippi, Polk (3).  
No. 18 Cross, Crittenden, St. Francis (2).  
No. 19 Monroe, Lee, Arkansas, Phillips (3).

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## DOROTHY DIX

## Philandering Husband

Dear Miss Dix: My husband and I were engaged when I was 16, but delayed marriage until he was discharged from service six years ago. We have two children. He has made me the happiest girl in the world.

Now I'm 27 and he's 29. I've always trusted him and my faith was justified until six months ago when he began running around with another woman. She is married and is cheating on her husband. My husband admits the affair, but says he would never leave me or the children for this other woman. When he tries to break off with her, she chases after him. Several people know of the affair and have advised me to leave him but I can't. I could not live with out him, and for the children's sake I feel I should stay.

I keep nagging him about this woman and he's getting pretty disgusted with me and pleads with me not to argue about it; when the time comes he'll leave her. What can I do?

CONNIE

Answer: Hard as the advice is to take, there's nothing you can do except sit tight, stop nagging and continue praying for the end of this sordid affair. When your husband comes to his senses which will probably be soon, he'll be

WARM WEATHER

Miami, Fla., Feb. 25 (AP)—Yesterday was the warmest Feb. 24 in the 40-year history of the Miami Weather Bureau.

The temperature climbed to 84 degrees between 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. That was three degrees above the previous record for the day, in 1913 and 1917.

ARTHUR G.

Answer: Your fiance is a remarkably thin-skinned woman:

marriage to her will be a continuous round of soothed hurt feelings. You are perfectly right in wanting you to set the conversational ball rolling. This you can do by opening a helmate and companion. What she wants is to be a pampered darling with not a care in the world. Better find a girl with a little more backbone. You may think you're broken hearted now, but it's much better to be hurt before marriage than after.

Since so many people know of this affair and are so free with advice to you, doesn't anyone pass the information on to the wrong husband? When the news gets to him, he may do something to bring his wife home, though he should want her I couldn't say.

You are well aware of the drawbacks to a separation from your husband; living without the man you love and depriving your children of a father. Since this future doesn't appeal to you, you have no recourse but to make the best of a situation until it is changed.

Nagging will not achieve that change! Stop mentioning either the affair or the woman to your husband; he'll be so flabbergasted he may forget her entirely. Focus your attention on your fine young sons. In caring for them you'll find ease from your heartaches, and in prayer you have a consolation to carry you through these bitter days.

DEAR MISS DIX:

The woman I love is hurt by remarks I have

made, such as asking her why she makes no attempt to interest herself in the things I do pertaining to business, etc. She claims if I tell her that now, what will I do later on? Am I wrong to presume that a wife should be willing to share her husband's problems?

DEAR MISS DIX: My boy friend comes to see me almost every night but never has anything to say. He just sits and waits for someone else to do the talking. I am 16 and he is 17.

JUNE

Answer: Since you are both in high school, he comes to see you entirely too often. Don't you both have homework and studying to do? You could use a little more attention to your schoolwork, June so why not spend more time at it? If your friend only calls two or three times a week he'll have more

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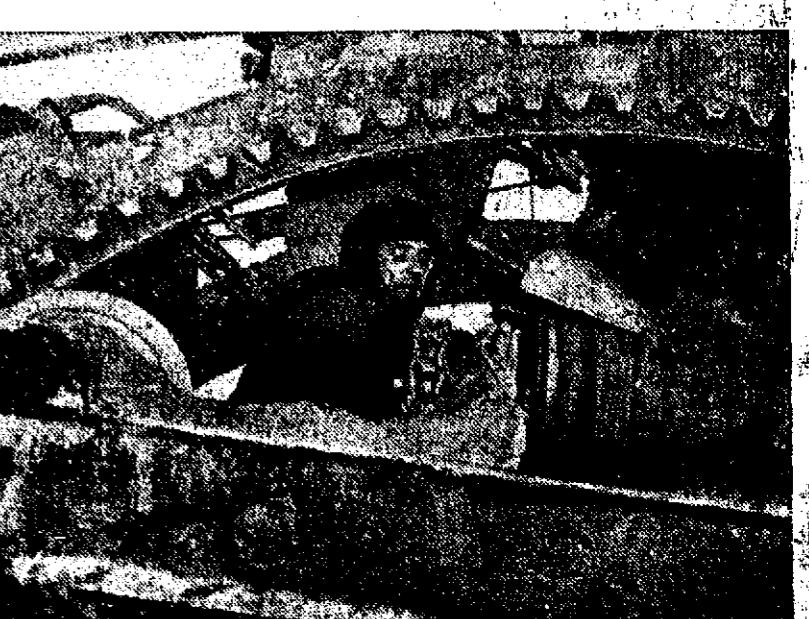
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DESPITE SNOW AND COLD, construction crews continue to lay mile after mile of Texas Eastern's new 30-inch natural gas pipeline. Here a side-boom tractor moves a 40-foot length of steel pipe into place for

welders who will make it part of the long steel artery already in the ground. The new line, 791 miles long, is a major addition to the nation's natural gas pipeline system.



PIPELINE ADJUSTS ICE-COVERED MECHANISM OF GIANT DITCHING MACHINE.

Natural gas from the Louisiana Gulf Coast soon will be delivered to Texas Eastern's new line at Kosciusko, Mississippi for transportation to the Appalachian and Eastern Seaboard areas.

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